## LEGAL NOTICE

## CITY OF GULFPORT

## CITY DEPOSITORY SERVICES

Bids for City Depository Services are being hereby solicited by the City of Gulfport MS. Specifications may be obtained from the Procurement Office, 1410 24th Avenue, Hardy Bldg., Gulfport MS 39501 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Delivery of Bids — One (1) original and one (1) copy shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly identified as "Bids for City of Gulfport Depository Services" and delivered to the address listed above no later than 10:00 am on July 7, 2022, after which time they will be delivered to the selection committee. Any proposal received after the time and date stated will be returned unopened.

"The City of Gulfport now offers Electronic Bidding. Official bid documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. Electronic bids and/or reverse auction bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814."

Questions – All questions regarding this bid should be directed to Jessica Versiga by e-mail: jversiga@gulfport-ms.gov, not less than seven (7) business days prior to the proposal due date. All questions must be submitted in writing; telephonic inquiries will not be considered.

A selection committee will review each proposal and will assist the City's governing authority in evaluating the proposals and assessing the most qualified proposal. The governing authority retains the ultimate authority in making these determinations. The committee may develop a short list from which interviews will be scheduled and evaluations will be based in part on review of ONLY the data submitted in response to this request for proposal. Upon final selection and determination made by the City's governing authority, a written contract may be awarded to the individual/firm whose bid/proposal is determined by the governing authority to be the most qualified and/or the lowest and best.

The governing authority will consider terms and conditions and factors relating to price, financial responsibility, technology, legal responsibilities as well as a bidder's or proposer's "responsibility" concerning matters that relate to the prompt and efficient performance of the contract, including the bidder's or proposer's honesty and integrity, skill and business judgment, experience and capability of performing the contract, conduct under previous contracts, and the quality of previous work, and a bidder's or proposer's customer satisfaction in prior or other contracts or projects, stability and solvency, and management experience in similar contracts, and any oral interviews with the review committee. The governing authority may consider any of the factors referenced herein in awarding the contract.

Bids may be held by the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, for a period not to exceed sixty (90) days from the date of receipt of bids.

The City of Gulfport reserves the right to reject any and all bids, in whole or in part, and to discontinue contract execution with any party at any time prior to final contract execution.

The City of Gulfport is an equal opportunity employer. The successful firm shall adhere to the City of Gulfport's policy concerning non-discrimination without regard to race, creed, color, age, sex, national origin or handicap.

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